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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated December 5, 2006, the Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. In light of these amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully assert that all of the claims are patentable, and that the application be allowed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.